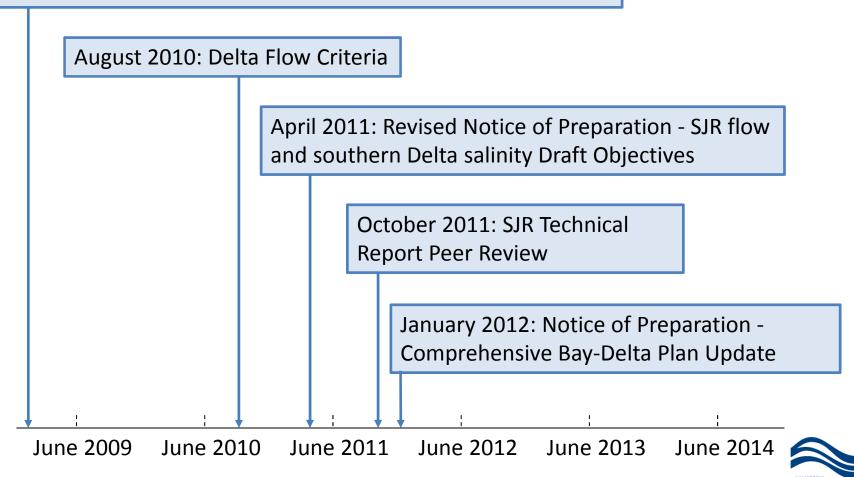
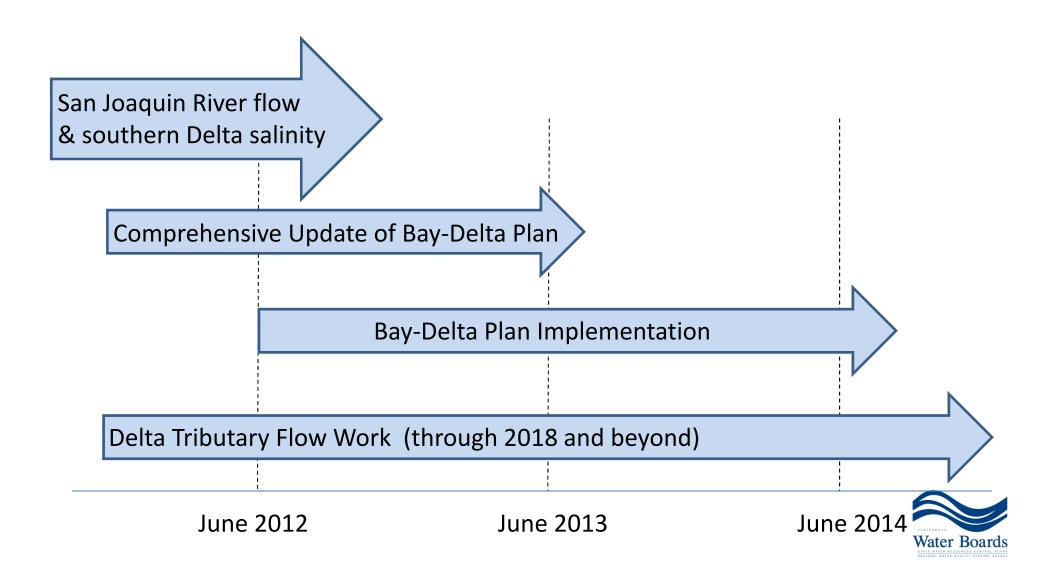
### State Water Board Actions to Date

February 2009: Notice of Preparation for comprehensive update and implementation of Bay-Delta Plan



#### State Water Board Processes



## **Upcoming Dates**

#### San Joaquin River flow and Southern Delta Salinity

February 24, 2012	Release technical and economic appendices
March/April 2012	Release draft environmental documents
June 2012	Workshop
August 2012	Release final draft environmental documents
October 2012	Board Meeting to consider adoption

#### Comprehensive update of Bay-Delta Plan

January 25, 2012	Notice of Preparation
April 25, 2012	Written comments due
May 16, 2012	Scoping Meeting
February 2013	Release draft environmental documents
April 2013	Workshop
June 2013	Release final draft environmental documents
August 2013	Board Meeting to consider adoption



### Other Delta Processes

- Delta Stewardship Council
  - Enforceable Delta Plan to achieve coequal goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem
- Bay Delta Conservation Plan
  - A regulatory vehicle for project proponents to agree to implement a suite of habitat restoration measures, other stressor reduction activities, and water operations criteria in return for regulatory agency approval of the necessary long-term permits for the various projects and water operations (covered activities) to proceed



#### Other Delta Activities

- Delta Protection Commission
- Delta Conservancy
- Delta Independent Science Board
- Delta Watermaster
- USEPA
- Regional Water Quality Control Boards
- USFWS, NOAA Fisheries: Biological Opinions



### Key Delta Processes - Common Elements

- State Water Board Bay-Delta Plan
  - Reasonable protection of beneficial uses, consider competing uses for water, "balancing"
- Delta Stewardship Council
  - A plan to achieve the "coequal goals" of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem.
- Bay Delta Conservation Plan
  - Improve the health of the ecological system as a whole and provide a more reliable water supply



## Key Delta Action Dates

DSC: Plan and EIR adoption, April 2012 SWB: Bay-Delta Plan, Comprehensive Update Scoping Meeting, May 2012 SWB: Bay-Delta Plan, SJR flow & southern Delta salinity workshop, June 2012 BDCP: Draft EIR/EIS, July 2012 SWB: Bay-Delta Plan, SJR flow & southern Delta salinity adoption, October 2012 BDCP: Final Plan & EIR/EIS, December 2012 SWB: B-D Plan, Comprehensive Update workshop, April 2013 SWB: Bay-Delta Plan, Comprehensive Update adoption, August 2013 June 2012 June 2013

# SWB Delta Tributary Work

- Priority tributaries:
  - Merced, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, and lower SJR
  - American River and Cosumnes River
  - Lower Butte Creek, Mill Creek, and Deer Creek
- Water Quality Certifications
  - New Don Pedro (Tuolumne River) Hydroelectric
    Project, license expires 4/30/2016
  - New Exchequer (Merced River) Hydroelectric
    Project, license expires 2/28/2014

